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SUBJECT: BARBADOS TARIFF CLASSIFICATION OF ALCOHOLIC
FRUIT BEVERAGES

1. DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN CONTACTED BY U.S. WINE FIRM E & J GALLO CONCERNING BARBADOS CLASSIFICATION OF WINE AND CIDER FOR TAXATION PURPOSES. GALLO WAS INFORMED THAT A RECENT SHIPMENT OF 2,465 CASES OF BOONES FARM APPLE AND STRAWBERRY HILL TICKLE PINK ALCOHOLIC FRUIT BEVERAGES WOULD BE SUBJECT TO AN ADDITIONAL FIVE DOLLARS PER CASE OR GALLON CONSUMPTION TAX SINCE THE BARBADOS TARIFF CLASSIFICATION OF THESE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES WAS CHANGED FROM CIDER TO WINE ON NOVEMBER 22, 1976. PREVIOUSLY THESE ITEMS ENTERED AS CIDER AND WERE TAXED ACCORDINGLY.

2. THESE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES WERE SHIPPED FROM MIAMI FLORIDA TO GALLO'S BARBADOS AGENT:

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ALLEYENE ARTHUR COLE LTD.

ATTN: BASIL COLE OR MARTIN KING
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3. DEPARTMENT SUGGESTS THAT THE EMBASSY CONTACT BARBADOS
CUSTOMS OFFICIALS AND GALLO'S AGENT IN BARBADOS IN ORDER
TO OBTAIN INFORMATION ON THE CURRENT CLASSIFICATION OF
ALCOHOLIC FRUIT BEVERAGES AND DUTY AND TAX RATES. KISSINGER

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